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ATTENTION: Section 1813 ROW Study

Dear Sirs:

As a member of the Council of Energy Resource Tribes and the National Congress of American Indians we are in full support of their recent joint letter expressing concerns and issues regarding the study relating to Section 1813 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (P.L. 109-58).

The following is Pueblo of Acoma's additional comments and concerns:

We understand that tribes are not direct participants in the study but only are to be consulted. We received a letter dated December 15, 2005, sent from the Department of Interior and the Department of Energy stating the subject areas to be studied regarding historical rates of compensation for using tribal land and have never received just compensation for rights of ways. Companies doing business on our land have constantly protested paying a fair market price.

2. Truly respecting and recognizing tribal self-determination and sovereignty is not being done by private companies, state and federal governments. We hear now that energy companies want condemnation authority to cross tribal lands. We will totally oppose any attempts to take our land to be used as rights of ways and or

as energy corridors without our express permission.

3. Tribal people and Indian land must not become national sacrifice areas in order to benefit the national energy policy. We are all users of energy and we all benefit from energy development, but we will not allow our lands to be unjustly taken for public purposes.

We request that the Pueblo of Acoma be continually apprised in not only the implementation of Section 1813,

but in all of the Energy Policy At of 2005, especially in regards to Title V.

Sincerely,

PUEBLO OF ACOMA

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cc: Gregory Smith, Lobbyist Acoma Land Office ATO Files



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